

Sept- 1884

To the Presbytery of Alaska.

Your Committee on the Assignment of Territory would respectfully submit the following report:

1. It is important that no tribe or settlement in S. E. Alaska should be left entirely without such supervision as will tend to its future education & enlightenment.

2. There should be such a partition of this section by the Presbytery as to prevent the neglect of any portion of it, or the conflict of interests on the part of different missions.

Therefore your committee would recommend ^{that} the

following assignment of territory
be made & that each missionary
in charge be instructed to visit
the whole of his field if prac-
ticable, & to otherwise endeavor
to reach the people assigned to
his care, & to report upon his
whole field at each annual
meeting of presbytery.

1st The missionary in charge
at Naines shall in addition
to that town have oversight
of the three villages on the Chil-
cot River, the Chilcot village &
the two fishing settlements on
Pyramid Harbor. He shall ascer-
tain the condition of the inland
tribes accessible from his
station, & shall employ all means
at his command for reaching
them. And he shall also exer-
cise supervision over the Auk

Tribe, so far as he may deem expedient, not conflicting with the work of Rev. W. H. R. Corlies.

2nd The missionary at Hoonah shall have charge of the villages of Iroquois Sound & Chitcheagoff Island.

3rd The head of the mission at Sitka shall, in addition to that town, have oversight of the several villages of the Hooche-noots & of the settlement at Killisnoo; & he shall, if practicable, visit & report upon the Yakutats & tribes further to the North West.

4th The head of the mission at Port Wrangell shall, in addition to that town, have supervision over the Kakes & Konyons, the branch mission at Longos with the towns & fishing settlements in the region inhabited by that

tribe, & shall, as far as practicable, ascertain the number & condition of the inland tribes accessible from the Stikine River, & employ all available means for reaching them.

5th The missionary in charge at Jackson shall have charge of the various Nootka settlements in Prince of Wales Archipelago, with the exception of the fishing towns of Klownet & Leprean, ~~settlements of Red Bay & Salmon Bay~~ & the villages of the Hanaga tribe.

We recommend that Rev. W. H. R. Corlies, Independent Baptist, be left in charge of the Lacov & Lumden villages, & the inland tribes accessible from the Lacov River with such supervision over the town of Juneau as shall be agreed upon between him & the committee appointed

by this presbytery.

Respectfully submitted.

L. Hall Young.

Eugene S. Willard

Mrs. Dickinson

Jackson Alaska

My Dear Sir—

Before the
Sept. Steamer Mr Mc L^{rs}
mill may(?) Cut lumber,
I think you would better
not expect any from his
mill this summer.

I have asked Capt Sprague
to inform you what he can
do. Both mills you mention
are cutting and shipping to S-
Frisco.

The delays of the Mission-
mill are unfortunate for us.

I am not reflecting on
Mr. Mc L^{rs},

Yours for the Master
J. Loomis Gould

Beckham, Pa July 1st 1821

My dear brother,

I found your
letter on my return home
on Saturday & send you
inclosed the recommendation
you suggest. We have the
address of one copy of the
"Moravian" changed as you
direct. — When are you going

to Alaska? - I am glad
to say that we have heard
from our two explorers. On
the 16th of May they reached
Kualaska on the Aleutian
Islands & expected, in a few
days, to go on to the main
land per steamer of the Alaska
Commercial Company, which
is showing them much kindness.
The Greek Deacon, whom they
visited, claimed all the country
to which they are going as the ecc.
territory of his Church. In this
week's "Morning" there will be a

Letter from Greenland.
By our San Francisco Editor.

Notice Washington -
Name for Dormitory
Sittka, Alaska! July 2nd '84.

Dear Dr Jackson,

This money has
been lying in my desk
ever since your letter
came, and I have
waited first for a name,
and then, with a vague
hope of meeting you
and talking with you
about the Sittka School,
when I could put the
money into your hands.
Please tell me when
you acknowledge the
receipt of this, if there

is any thing else our
young people could do
to assist - I suppose
this largely furnishes the
Dormitory - How many
children will sleep there?
What other articles would
be useful in the room?
As to the Name, would
it be too much to place
over the door besides
"Menuchah", and right
below it, Isaiah 32. 18.

I shall be obliged
if you will kindly let
the Executive Board
know that we do not
mean to work outside of
them in seeking our contri-
bution directly to you -
Very sincerely yours,
Lucia Macdonald.

See March 22, 18

we find the same.

"And the people who
lived in a peaceful
habitation, and in the
humblest, but in quiet
settling place."

"The 'settling place'"
is in the 'The Great Lakes'

Manuscript - The

would like the

document named

Manuscript, as

we hope that as

Prayers all round
last night were
warm from young
Christian hearts,
The same may be seen
in a strong & healthy
fruit setting place,
a "blanched" soil
who are the trees in -

From Temple of
Christ Presby. Church
Huntington
D. C.

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Treasury Department, L

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,

Washington, D. C., July 3 1884.

Sheldon Jackson, Esq.,
P. O. Box 1938,

New York City.

Sir:

Your letter of the 22nd instant, is received, stating that a number of delegates to the annual convention of the National Educational Association of the United States at Madison, Wis., and friends, propose to make an excursion to Alaska, and asking that instructions be issued to the collector of Customs at Port Townsend, Wash. Ter., so that the vessel conveying them may stop at Metta Kotta, B. C., to allow the inspection of an Indian school there, and possibly to take on

hundred

number to be transported to Alaska.

In response you are informed that section 3126, P.D., provides for the clearance and entry of a vessel in the case submitted by you, and that no especial instructions to the collector of Customs at Port Townsend are necessary.

Very respectfully,

Wm. H. H. H.
Secretary.

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C. C. (Hume)

Truman Pa.
Jan 22 '84

Dear Bro.

I received (the will
sent me) on the
amount of ^{the} three dollars
on the Mission &
the contribution of the
South School. We
sent it, hoping and
trusting that it (may)
do much good for
the advancement of
the ~~cause~~ of Christ.

The ^{few} ~~few~~ dollars ex-
tra were private con-
tributions handed in
to me & knowing that
very little need and
it along with the other
check. It would please

on School Hill. Much
to receive in acknowledgment
- thank & love from

Love from the
near from the
Haskla

Yours truly

Wm. Williams

and

Quintus Curtius Rufus,

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On the day of the week, we had
a very fine day. The weather was
very warm - the sun was shining
in the sky. The wind was with us
and the water was very calm. We
went to the beach and had a very
good time. The children were
very happy and the old people
were very comfortable. We had
a very good meal and the
weather was very fine. The
children were very happy and
the old people were very comfortable.
We had a very good meal and
the weather was very fine.

The lady who was married and
had a very good time. The
children were very happy and
the old people were very comfortable.
We had a very good meal and
the weather was very fine.

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23 Centre Street, New York, July 12th 1884

Dr. Sheldon Jackson - Sitka - Alaska
 (My dear friend:-

A letter is just received from Mrs. L. S. Bartlett, Maryville, E. Tenn. asking that the No. of a Scholarship in the "Sheldon Jackson Institute" be assigned to their S. School.

Thinking that this letter would reach Alaska, possibly, by the same steamer that will set you down "beneath the shade of the vine" which you have so largely planted, it occurred to me that it would be a fitting service for you to render as the "first fruits" of labor on Alaska soil - to select this scholarship.

The action will, also, - no doubt - furnish a bit of sentiment for the waiting S. Sch.

Please ask Mr. or Mrs. Austin - (per. of course, the correspondence must come through them) - to write, as soon as possible - both to me, & to Mrs. Bartlett - giving No. of Sch. Ship - also, whether in Boy's or girl's school.

Wishing you abundant success in your enlarged privilege of spending some Mission work in Alaska,
I am Yrs,

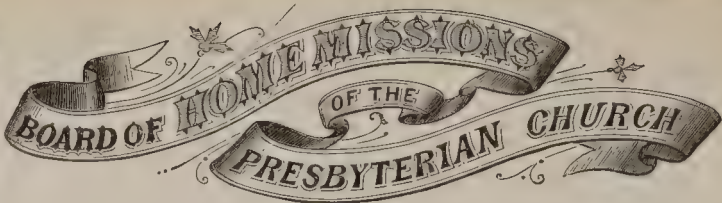
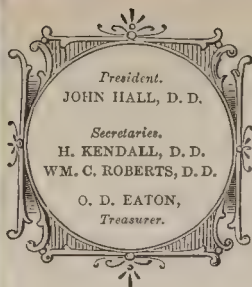
Very Sincerely
H. A. Dyer

2' 4" wide
6' 8" high

6' 5 1/2" high
3' 11" wide

9 inches wide
of iron

8' Simple window
8' (2 double)



P. O. Box 1938.

No. 23 Centre Street.

New-York, July 13 1884

Dear Dr Jackson

Enclosed are the
Commissions for - Dr & Mrs McFarland
Miss Dauphin and Tillie &
Louis - . I have dated Miss
Dauphin Jan 15 - Tillie & Louis
April 1 - and left the McF's
blank for you to fill up - and
advise me - If it was not
right to date Dr & L's so far
back as April let me know
it, and change the date to
suit the right time - I think
it might be well to date
back to make more sure
the 640 acres from Govt -
I also send you some blank
reports. Please give to each

of them,
their 4th. I suppose your hands
and head are full so will not
trouble you further just now -

Yours truly
A. C. Dwyer

The Board of Home Missions

OF

The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America,

P. O. Box 1938.

23 Centre Street, New York, 7. 15. 1884.

Dear Brother Jackson.

My wife wants to send a message to your wife which you can not expect to read!

In view of all the troubles & wrangle about the "Pring" she begs that Mrs. Jackson shall see that there is a suitable for the "Pring" or no new building!

Pring "to the front" if not of the Buildings - at least, in consideration.

We have had no news since you left - that Mrs. Haines & Dr. Phanner will not report.

Please tell Mrs. Haines that the Committee did not approve of the appointment of Miss Sybil Carter, or, for the present, of Mrs. Isner & her daughter.

The weather here is cool & pleasant.

cut.

You must give us some
letters the last moment before
the lines are cut off for far-
off. Adieu—

Kind regards to all the
friends.

Yours truly
H. Russell

Washington D.C.
1412 I St.

July 10th

My Dear Mr. James,

My heart-
goes out to you in greeting,
with much intensity, as I have
been disappointed in seeing you, and
being with you, on the Alaska
excursion. Now that the
matter is settled, I find I
am much more disappointed
than I thought I should be,
and find it very difficult
to give up hope.

The late adjournment
of Congress, leaving Mr. James
little time to attend to important
private business before going;
losses in business consequent

of his fidelity to duty here,
greatly lessening his income;
and the absence of the
assistant-Superintendent of
the Mission S. School through
the summer, giving Mr. James
a little anxiety about it; and
a desire to give what assistance
he can, in that gentleman's absence,
all culminate, in a decisive
negative to the question, "can we
not go even at the present
hour?" Well, the ever
kind and loving Father has
placed no obstacle in your
way, so he wanted you, and
did not need me. I am
content, and ready for any
work he may have for
me to do. I am
delighted with your

Suggestion about Miss
- Carter. She is a very interesting
speaker, and will repay the
high salary she demands in
the increased gifts, and do
the necessary work of supervising
our schools, and reporting to
us at 23 Centre St. so that
we may be able to know the
exact condition, of the work in
our hands. Then she must
carry on her mind the care
of the schools, and release you.
You must not have so many
details, to care for, you must
surprise the whole, plan everything
and have more time for rest.

I am very much pleased
with Miss Dyer's letters, they
breathe so much interest in the
work, and so devoted a Christian

spirit. If Mr. Miller
had shown the same we should
not have cared to part with
him. I shall be very anxious
to see you when you return,
for with your careful habits
of observation, we shall know
the exact condition of our
Alaska note when you return.
I am wishing now, that
you could visit our State
schools also, but you will
be leaving for east after your
tour through California.

May God richly bless you
for your zeal in His service,
and guide and guard every step
of your way, bringing you
safely to us again, is the
earnest prayer of
yours most sincerely, Mary E. James.

W. G. RITCH,
SANTA FE,
NEW MEXICO.

July 20th 84

Read & Jackson

New York

My Dear Sir

Yours from Washington
of several days since was duly
received and in the pressure
of office work has been neglected
but not forgotten. Thanks for
your words of appreciation.
New Mexico is to be the debating
field between the absolutism
of the Roman Church and free
government as known at least
to the average Independence day
orator, with, when we think
of the absorbing question among

Political
demagogues, of Who shall
be greatest? in the eyes of the
hierarchy, - the Chances
in favor of Rome apparently.

In illustration, You may remem-
ber the facts I stated you at
Washington - of the work of one
demagogue in taking all vi-
tality out of the Educational bill
in the last Legislature. On the
other hand another demagogue
"sees" the first and "gives him
one better" by appointing
the most prominent Jesuit
in the Territory a School
Superintendent. I suppose you
are arranging for your visit to Alaska.
Ernest Ryan, I mailed to you nearly
appointed Governor of Alaska, copies
of all our publications in print as a
contribution to the Fyfe Library.
Very truly,
J. P. R. R. R.

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Received at PORTLAND, Or.

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July 22 1884

Dated Washington Dc 22

To Dr Sheldon Jackson

With Teachers Excursion
Care Alaska Steamship Co Portland Or
Secretary so crowded that he cannot
take up Alaska School question
till September -

John Eaton

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Sitka Alaska July 22nd /84

Dear Dr Jackson.

Your letter received 5th day. Will do all that I can to have every thing about the Steamer in good order when the excursion arrives next month. I have Shurigan at work, & will keep him until you come. We finished squaring the foundation timbers to day at noon, so that you would have commenced operations had you been on the Steamer, as soon as you had finished your lunch. Love cut his foot very

severely just as we
had finished our
work last night.
Had to sit up all night
with him as we were
afraid it might get to
bleeding in the night.
He seems quite comfort-
able to day. We received
our net, & the iron water
pipe & some blankets
by this steamer. The shoes
that ought to have been
on last steamer are not
on this, although Mr Hill
writes me that they were
sent last month. I shall
write him about the
matter to night. Shall
have to buy some here,
for the boys who are work-
ing in the woods.

some logs for lumber on
the beach, & will have
some more before you
arrive. I think if it is
possible we ought to organize
a church while Christian
friends from the East are
here. It would impress
them with the importance
of our work. The Lord is
still with us, nearly
every Sabbath some
one from the Ranch
desires to talk with me
after the service. Vinine
was married on July
11th. Did not expect to
marry for several months
but Dr. Ayres (her husband)
finally concluded
it would be better. I have
to go East with the ship

& return to do so. We
shall need another
teacher, Am so tired
& as I hope to see you
soon I will close by
sending love from all
to Jack & Yachus.

Sincerely

A. E. Austin

Haines July 24: 1864
Dr Jackson
Dear Bro

As I hope to
see you in a few days
after you read this I
write but a note. Mail
came in last night about 5⁰
I receive word from Washington
that John C. Vanhook of
Mill Point N.Y. has the
contract for Mail route
No 47101. I do not know
what arrangements have
been made. I asked the
P.M. at Juneau to have the
mail sent up in July &
I would pay the Indian
\$25.00 John C. Vanhook brought

it. I have charged the
amt' (i.e. £500) to your ac't.
If you are still to direct
the mail & make any
arrangement with Indians
at Juncos, have it understood
that he is working by the
job for one man & that
he can not run off on
any side track unless
ordered to do so. Johnson
is continually giving trouble
in that way. I have thought
it would be better to hire
some one else, but if there
is to be no one at Juncos
who will look after the
man & see that he is started
I can not say that a
change will improve
matters any. Johnson is
willing to run for \$5000

but he will get trouble
about the freight. I have
given no directions
concerning the Aug. Mail
as I do not know what
to do. Please direct the
P.M. at Bureau.

We are well so far
Miss Matthews is talking
about taking a trip to Fangle
next mo. Hoping to see
you here at Haines
Shortly. I will keep things
until then

Respectfully

Engene Stillard

1203
Columbia, Pa

July 30th/84.

Dear Doctor,

I am slow in
reporting to you some of
the tangible results of
your visit with us.

My expectations as to the
influence which the
Missionary interest among
us ~~would~~ ~~received~~ have been
more than realized, more

affected by that one address.
than, I think, would have
been affected by a year's
practising from me.

I have endeavored to make
the most of the advantage.
And I will tell you
that our Sunday School
will be responsible for
the care of one of the girls
in your Little School for
one year. (I do not suppose
they will limit the time to
a single year) ie they pledge
themselves to raise one
Hundred Dollars, of which ^{with}
a check will have been
sent, for about \$40, to the
proper authorities, before

His letter gets Garrison's
say to you. I have rec'd a
map from the Survey Dept
at Washington, and am
having it reproduced in
larger form for the use of
the Sunday School. We will
soon be quite interested
and we will wait eagerly
to hear from, or about our
protégé.

I think the Ladies Society
will undertake to fit
up one of those rooms
at a cost of \$100. You will
probably hear from us in
the fall.

I am now about leaving,
with my family, for a

vacation, & return by the first
of Sept. We all of us think
of our visit here with
great pleasure, & am very
thankful for the providence
which brought you here
on the Sabbath and Christ-
mas Day at that.

We will remember you
and your work in our
prayers, and hope to give
you other help also. With
kind regards to your family
I subscribe myself
Your brother in Christ

Yours brother in Christ

Geo. Mills Esq

L^d

Rev. Mr. Hudson Jackson D.D.

The President has appointed John G. Brady, of Alaska; George P. Ihrie, of Pennsylvania, and Chester Seaber, of California, to be commissioners for the district of Alaska, to reside at Sitka, Wrangel, and Oumalaska.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Bureau of Education,

Washington, D. C., July 26, 1884

My dear Dr. Jackson.

I send you the enclosed clipping from this morning's Republican, fearing that it may fail to reach your eye early.

Very truly yours
John Eaton
per C.

Superintendent will please copy
the Clipping also. S. J.

Stewart. - Packing, &c, Tongass Pass
July, 26, 1884

Dr Jackson,
Dear Bro.

We started
last Monday evening, and
have reached this place on our
way to Fort Simpson & Mission
and through the kindness of Mr.
Campbell are stopping over
night in his house. He is a
Scotchman from Portland
came up here for his health has
entirely recovered has been on
the Columbia & for ^{Nass River B.C.} 7 years
speaks Chinook very fluently was
raised a Methodist - says he
likes Teaching, and had a great

desire

to labor for the Master, and says if he cannot get in with some society or denomination he is going to work for the Lord on his own hook, he gathers the children together on Sabbath to sing has an Organ up the Mass which he is send^{ing} for now, which he plays and besides is a good singer, he is employed by the Co. here facting and is a Carpenter by trade also builds Chimneys. ~~he~~ will be through here in September, and expects to go to Portland unless something turns up. I told him I would introduce him to you. Might be you could give him something to do he is married to an Indian woman, and says he is not a good man but wants to be

the people here speak well of him
he gives Rev Crosby & Green
as reference. Mr Young promised
the Songass people 4 years
ago a teacher, and they have
been anxiously looking and
waiting, and wont take a
teacher from Mr Crosby's Church
and dont want Indians teachers
when they heard of our coming
they thought we were going
to stay, and felt very sorry
when we told them we were
just on a visit. I think he
could be got reasonable and
could go occasionally to the
Cape Fox Village if these people
dont get some person soon, I think
they will take a teacher from the
Methodist Church then the Presbyter-
ians will lose them they will help
build a log church and have

part of the lumber now he
would be willing to go anywhere
for carpenter work in Alaska.

If you desire ~~you can send~~
~~it by~~ some one probably from
Fort Simpson you can send
him a letter by Purser by the
next freight boat which
expects to come in to this
place. address James H. Campbell
Longass Pass care of Stewart
Packing Co Alaska

Yours truly
John W. McFarlane

P.S. Mr Stewart would rather
be employed at present in some
mechanical work at present. he also
understand all about Packing Salmon
fish & ———

Hydah Mission
Jackson Alaska
July 28- 1884.

Dear Mr. J.
Yours of June 13th
reached me July 22

About the mail I
wrote you some months
since that you might see
in time, I saw no adver-
tisements for bids nor any
indications the route would
be continued, took the risk
of sending up the mail
in July & will do so in
Aug. received notice by
July mail, as did Mr. J.,
that A. H. Voorhes of Mill
point N. H. had the contract
of carrying this year for \$1000
which I presume is not new
to you

I suppose it is proper for me
to go to Sitka in Sept. I have
made two trips to Wrangel and
incurred no small amount of
expense & ^{to small advantage} discomfort. And at
a time when my people
needed me, besides such im-
provements as are essential to
the progress of our mission
depend to a considerable ex-
tent on my physical effort.

As we may see you
in a few days I will not
write more now.

Fraternally

D. Loomis Gould



MOHONK LAKE MOUNTAIN HOUSE.

MOHONK LAKE, ULSTER CO., NEW YORK.

A. K. SMILEY,
PROPRIETOR.

Aug 1st 1884

Rev Sheldon Jackson-
My Dear Sir.

On Wed. Thursday & Friday Sept 24. 25. & 26.
we expect to have an Indian Conference held here
& it would give us great pleasure if you
would add your company to it. Genl Armstrong
of Hampton Capt. Pratt of Carlisle. Dr Rhoades
Mr Welsh Commr Price Dr Field. Dr Prime
Dr Abbott. Senators Dawes & Hawley & Dr Struby are

among those invited & we think you would
enjoy it. All will be my guests & we shall
try not only to make it a profitable time
for the Indian but a pleasant one otherwise.

As the first session ^{will} be at 10 o'clock Wed.
morning we think it would be better to come
the day before. Hoping to hear that you will
be with us believe me Very truly yours -

Albert K. Smiley.

Newport, R. I.

August 22nd 1884.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.

My dear Sir.

Some time since
I received a communication
from the U. S. Commissioner of
Education asking me to give
my views as to the practicability
of educating the youths of
Alaska for a seafaring life.

I did so strongly approving
the idea. I write you
now to state that it has

occured to me that I might
like to be offered the position
of Government Superintendent
of Indian instruction in
Alaska, as this work is one
in which I am much interested
I have had over five years
experience now in training
boys for the Navy and as
to my adaptability for it reference
could be made to Rear Admiral
S. B. Luce, Capt. E. C. Matthews
or Capt. A. W. Johnson.

I speak of this to you
thinking that you know

interest in Alaska might
cause the Commission to
consult you on this subject.

Army officers, as you are
aware, are at the head of
Indian schools, and I know
that the Navy Department
would permit officers under
its jurisdiction to do so.

Trusting that you are
well remain

Very truly
L. M. Lymonds.

Alaska

Red Bay, Aug 7th

Dear Dr Jackson

I came over here in the mail canoe so that I might have a little talk with Mr Harris & Dr Mearns. Some things were forgotten in the excitement & I wish the day you were at Wrangell. There seems to be such bitter opposition in the minds of the Indians against the girls going to Ukted that you need not be surprised if we don't come next steamer.

if I find the majority
of the girls - particularly
the large ones are to be
forbidden from going
I will not feel that
it is my duty to go, at least
for the present. The
we may come, but I
would think I was
doing a great wrong
to turn these large
girls out - knowing what
would certainly
be their fate, Mr. Young
says to tell you he &
Mr. Enloe will start so
as to be at either a day or
two before the steamer.
So I would not have their
assistance on the steamer
anyway.

Yours Truly

A. R. Alford

~~Copied~~

Rampart House
Mackenzie River District -
North West Territory Canada
Aug 16. 1884

My Dear Sir

We are strangers to one another personally, yet I have heard of you from others & as I have now an opportunity of sending out by your way, I thought I would send you a few lines of greeting.

I am a missionary of the Church Missionary Society of England - the first Society I believe which sent missionaries to the northern part of the great Continent. My home is at the above address, but I am writing this from Ft St Lawrence on the Upper Yukon, whither I have come in course of my trips among the Indians. I have heard of you from Missionaries who have come in; & though we belong to different Communion, yet I trust we are one in serving the same great Master in the noblest branch of his service, in such

I esteem Missionary work to be

I understand that you work among the
Chilcats & from what I hear you must have
a very difficult work indeed. The Coast
Indians all appear much more difficult
than those in the Interior. Yet I trust
that you are realizing that your labor is
not in vain in the Lord and that His
name is being glorified in the salvation
of souls.

For myself I feel that my privilege
is very great. Everywhere I go the
Indians receive the message of salvation
gladly - indeed many of them seem to
thirst & hunger after it.

I have not been very long in this
Country & cannot speak the language by
any means correctly, yet I manage
to get along & hope ~~that~~ to do better by I
trust. As you will see by my ad-
dresses I dwell on the English side of the
line among the Indians on the Bar-
row

River, but in the Summer I visit the Indians on the Yukon

Archdeacon McDonald (My predecessor now invalided home) labored here for 20 years & God has given him many souls to his Ministry. He frequently visited Ayookla Keyit, where the Indians are now outwardly Christianized & many of them I trust ~~also~~ changed also in heart. And walking up to the light they have

This Summer I was enabled to ascend the Tanana for about 200 miles, then returning went down to a short distance below Ayookla, where I met the trading Steamer which has brought me up to Ft Reliance

Even where the work has been most encouraging. I trust a real heart change is going on among these people

I am sure & am however that we are likely to be invaded by Romish priests who I hear are coming in next year by the Mouth of the river & intend to establish a

a Mission School at St Michael

I wish a protestant one could get
ahead of them. I find I must draw
to a close suddenly

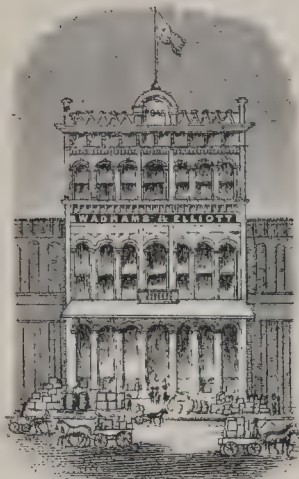
Trusting that your work may be
richly blessed

I remain Dear Sir

Yours Most Sincerely
Vincent. L. Simon

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Portland Oregon Aug 29, 1884

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of Aug. 11th duly to hand, asking for lumber, shingles and tarred paper. Without doubt you will be greatly disappointed that not a stick of lumber goes by this steamer. Capt Carroll regrets exceedingly that his ship is not big enough to carry the freight offering. He says he had a talk with you about the lumber and fully expected then to take. But on arriving in S.F. he found the Idaho partly loaded with 300 tons of a quartz mill going to Juneau, and that, coupled with the fact that no goods were sent on the last steamer, thus giving two months requisitions on the merchants here makes it a difficult matter for him to take even the general merchandise, without taking a foot of lumber. He has telegraphed to San Francisco to have the Ancon ready for the October trip, and will on that trip without any fail take your lumber. I have also received a telegram this morning ordering a medium size lumber wagon sent you; this cannot go this steamer for lack of freight room. We had a considerable part of your lumber and shingles on the wharf waiting for the steamer to come in, knowing there would be a rush of freight. And hoping, by being first on hand, to be first served. But we cannot help ourselves.

Yours Resp.

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Providence, R. I., Sept 1 1884

Rev. S. Jackson:

Dear Bro: I have been for
sometime a good deal interested
in Alaska, and the mission
work being done there I want
the women of our churches, and
the brethren, too, to become better
acquainted with this portion
of our territory as a nation.
It has come into my mind to ask
you for a communication for
the Missionary Helper, but I
do not see how you can find
the time to so favor our readers.
Though you may be able soon now.

I have been very grateful for
the exchange with Pres. Fourn
Missions. It is an able and
excellent publication and has
helped me much.

I send you my cordial sympa-
thy in your present work,
and pray that God's abunden-
tous blessing be given you for every
trial, and in every representation.

Sincerely yours.

M. M. Brewster.

M. M. Brewster

of "Carl"

Waverly ^{Maryland} Sep 3. 84.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson

Dear Sir,

I wrote to you
in the early summer to ask
if you could give me the
name of an Indian boy in
the Sitka School with whom
one of the boys of the Museum
was connected with the
Boundary Ave. Presby. School
of Baltimore might correspond,
and you then told me to
write to you at Alaska in
about a month.

I lent your letter to the

teacher at whose request
I wrote, thinking that he might
attend to it, but in case he
has not, I now write to
ask, if not too late, if you
will kindly let us hear.

With kind regards, and
sympathy in your good
work. Very truly,

Alexina Crawford.

Waverly.

Baltimore Co.
Md.

Robert Chican Sept 4. 1884

Mr Sheldon Jackson

Sir

Your favor of Aug 21st with Bill of Lumber enclosed was received yesterday afternoon a 5 o'clock.

A full cargo for the expected Schooner is laying ready on the Wharf, so that we will be able to begin sawing out your order, which amounts to about 125000 feet, on the 5th, and promise to do it with all dispatch, and although the Mill is at present doing well, we may meet with accidents which may cause a short delay, but hope to have your order ready when the Schooner arrives from Sitka. but probably it would be safer to notify you when we are certain of having your order finished, in order to avoid a long stay of the Schooner here. The price of the lumber on the Wharf is \$12⁰⁰ pr Mill.

If you should wish any tongue & groove or rustic please send your order and it will promptly be attended to

Mr. Gould had left our place several days ago, but will send the letter to Mrs. McFarland by the first opportunity to Wrentham.

In conclusion I beg to thank you for your kind compliment to Mrs. Sprague, and embrace this opportunity to ^{express to} you our mutual wishes for success in the cause you are laboring and remain respectfully
yours.

A. B. Sprague & Fountaine

San Juan Island. W. T.

8th Sept 1884.

Rev Sheldon Jackson W. H.

My dear Sir.

The above cheering item,

(speaking volumes for your great energy, and christian enthusiasm) induces me to write you a few lines to say, that I am reminded of your kind assurance, four yrs since, to exert an endeavor to secure a bell for my needy mission. * For our mission Ch.

on San Ju, we have a bell, but will need one shortly, for a mission building, upon Lopez, an adjacent island where, we propose to commence the work of construction in the coming spring. A little Ch. is so much needed

there, as the people in order to accommodate the congregations, have frequently, to remove the furniture from the room, and even take down their beds. If we don't build there shortly the Methodists will take advantage, and occupy the field.

The people of this island (chiefly newly arrived emigrants) are very poor, but will aid in the construction, to the best of their ability. The Bd of Ch. Action, will appropriate a small sum, we have need of at least \$500 extra. Can you possibly raise a little for us dear Bro? I trust you will be able to.

+ The needed bell, we hope for, from you. God bless you, and yours in your labor of love - Very Truly Yrs. T. J. Weekes.

Miss Morris Lower. Sep. 9, '84

Dear Bro. Jackson,

I have often thought of that Sunday morning in Aug. when one of the "Ancon" came along your daughters, saw them, & on the dock watching the dear girls there, her tears, while the stalwart Dr. was nowhere to be seen.

I have often thought of you two since that day and wished the best things for your enterprise.

I encountered, at Portland, one representative of the new Territorial government - the U.S. Dist. Attorney, Mr. Haskett, an Iowa man. I was sorry that he had so little appearance of being a man fitted for the discharge of such trusts as will be laid upon him by the large and sometimes delicate interests of Alaska. He seemed to me a small man - crude & unfurnished - sent to a post which a strong and discriminating man should fill. It was evident that the moral tone of Sitka would not be greatly elevated

by his becoming a resident there.

It is a pity! I am sorry for you because whatever help such a man may give you will be merely official & prudential. He will not help you with his heart.

I suppose you are driving on with your building operations. I hope your Forest Grove carpenter is proving competent. I should like to know whether such is the case or not.

The Ancon tied up at the Port Larned dock at 10 o'clock Sunday morning, Aug. 17. - in time for us to get ashore and go to Church which we did. The Presb. Ch. was closed, unfortunately, the pastor having gone to Victoria, not knowing that an angel's visit was imminent. So we went, mostly to the

M. E. Ch. The pastor said he was not well, and if any of the visiting brethren would come forward and preach he would be very glad of it. I tried to stir up Phrazer to go, but he wouldn't and the poor Bro. had to go on. He did very well too.

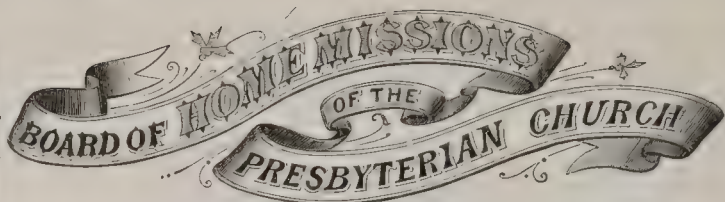
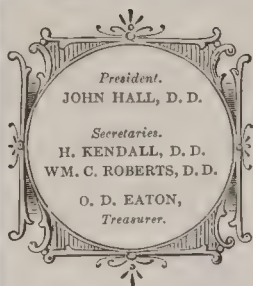
The next day I went back to Victoria - (the Ancon did not stop there) and brought some curios - three stone tokens among the rest - one for Lynn - one for Bicknell & one for myself. They were nice, but not cheap.

Most of the party scattered out from Portland, direct. I remained over the Sabbath and preached for the First Presb. Ch. as a supply. The next day started for home & after a prosperous journey, was permitted to take dinner with my family on the 30th of Aug. - ~~and~~ after a trip that will live in memory as a perpetual joy.

I am very glad to have had a chance
to know you a little. Mr Cong. L. had
heard of you as a desperately active
Presbyterian organizer in Colorado &
beyond and I was not sure but the
flame of denominational zeal might
scorch but I did not feel it and
the company was sure very pleasant.

As to the industrial school
question. If our people take hold
up there beyond you, as you advise &
desire. (So I understand you) it seems
to me great wisdom needs to be shown
in the choice of industries to be taught &
pursued. We could send a shoe maker,
but what if the shoe they make already
is better than any that a mechanic from
the States could make! That represents what
I mean. We must learn to adopt indus-
tries already there - to enlarge them - to intro-
duce out such as are needed & can be
made profitable.

Kind regards to Mrs J. Min. Davenport & the
rest of the workers there. Fraternally A. L. Tristie.



P. O. Box 1938.

No. 23 Centre Street.

New-York, Sep 12th 1884

My dear S. Jackson,

I have to-day paid a freight bill of \$13²⁴ which I have charged to your personal account as Mr. Still seemed to think it was a personal matter. If it is not right you know how to adjust the matter.

Our school account is about \$30,000 in debt & I have already borrowed. I am authorized to raise in this way. The School Committee will meet on Monday next & I will see what they will let me do.

Yours have been coming

in very slowly for all account.

I shall plead very hard for
the amount you ask.

If possible I will endeavor
to send you \$10.00 on Tuesday.

I have not had any va-
-cation and am about sick
to-day. Since December last
5 plans for a little needed
rest have been shelved.

I hope to make a break now the
24th for two weeks.

It makes my little order for
fur progress?

Please remember me very
kindly to each member of your
family and to all the mission
workers at Sitka.

With many wishes ^{and} prayers
for your success ^{and} happiness
I am,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Baker

San Francisco, Cal, Sept. 13th 184.
The Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,
Dear Brother:—

It gives me great pleasure
to inform you that Bro. A. Hartmann
and myself, who were sent by
the S. P. S. of the Moravian Church
to explore the Bristol Bay Division
of Alaska, have returned thus far
on our homeward way, after
a very pleasant and satisfactory
~~journey~~ as far as Koludkovsky
on the Kuskokwim river. Want
of time prevents me from giving
you a complete account of our
investigations, but I hope to do
so at some future time.

I regretted very much that we
could not return to San Francisco

by way of Sitka, for I was
anxious to see with my own eyes
the good work which you are
doing. It is a noble work, Brother,
a noble work, and one on which
God's blessing is sure to rest.
I had the pleasure of listening to
your lecture at Bethlehem, and know
that you meet with many difficulties
in your contest against sin, so
deeply rooted in the nature of the
Indian. But let me bid you
have courage, have courage. God's
kingdom will be established!

Please excuse my short letter. We
leave tomorrow for home. I hope
that this may be only the beginning
of a brotherly correspondence between
us.

Most Sincerely yours,

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Meadville, Pa., 1884.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

My Dear Sir! Last June I made arrangements with you for a series of articles on the territories. I have heard nothing from you in reference to them since. I am very anxious to secure a series of popular papers on this subject and should be much gratified to have you write them. May I rely upon you? If you can do the work when called I expect the copy would be glad to have the first article at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

T. L. Flood.

T. L. Flood

Fairbanks, Alaska. Sept 24, 1884

Dear Friends:

The Rose came in a short time ago. all safe & sound as it found us. Mr. Willard is very busy with his freight & I take a moment to write for him to say that he sends in Mr. Dorem's care all the curios that he can gather up. The pictures will require a little boxing & as the haste is great & the hands few we will have it ready for the mail steamer & send with Miss Rankin. It would be both unnecessary & useless for me to try to tell you my anxiety & the utter relief I have experienced. The storm has been so frightful here with a severe shock of earthquake on the 9th of Sept. The work has gone as well as I could make it. ^(the children & I) We have cleared the premises of all building rubbish - logs piled - chips stored for winter kindlings - the grounds raked clean. Laid part of the flooring for kitchen & stove room. gathered about 20 bags of feather moss & checked most of the

building, gathered grass for beds, made some
long bedsteads & chairs - Taken in two more
boys. Had services twice on Sabbath - twice
washed the children from the sores, twice
sawed the scow - doctored almost every dis-
ease the Indian fleet is here to - calmed
tumults, assisted miners - made out
mail reports & seeing & dispatching the same,
filled up the correspondence - tended babies -
trained Indians - kept house & during the last
ten days a boarder. & Entertained much of the
time the terrible visitor neuralgia.

Many thanks for all addresses. very much
love to all - & to all we say come & see
us when you can -

In haste & affectionately,

Carrie M. Willard.



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Salem, Oregon, Sept 29th 1884

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Yours &c

E. M. Hill